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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING HEARING SCHEDULED

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, January 23, 2002 in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Prior to the formal portion of the agenda staff members from the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining will brief the Board on several items. Among the items to be briefed are status reports on informal rulemaking for five-year review and a review of a Utah Supreme Court ruling that upheld a previous Board decision regarding sand and gravel. The formal hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Docket No. 2001-025, Cause No. 243-07 - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Royalty Owners Terry T. Olsen, et al., to Compel Operators Phillips Petroleum Company, et al., to Account for and Pay Royalties to the Royalty Owners in Accordance with their Interests in the Drilling and Spacing Units Established by the Board in Cause No. 243-3 for the Production of Gas from the Ferron Formation in the North Half of Section 5, Township 15 South, Range 10 East, SLB&M, Carbon County, Utah.

This matter was continued from the September and December 2001 hearings.

2. Docket No. 2002-001, Cause No. 007-14 - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Harold Behling, as Executor of the Estate of William Behling, Petitioner, Requesting that the Board Conduct a Hearing to Determine Why Proceeds from the Sale of Production from the State 1-22 Well and the Ferron MRC 27 Well in Emery County, Utah, have not been Properly Disbursed.

Board will decide if the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining should investigate.

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3. Docket No. 2002-002, Cause No. 166-02 - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Miller Dyer Resources LLC for an Order Establishing a 640-Acre Horizontal Drilling and Spacing Unit for the Cane Creek Formation Located in Section 24, Township 29 South, Range 23 East, SLM, San Juan County, Utah, and Exception to Utah Administrative Code Rule R649-3-2.

Petitioner is requesting the Board to establish a spacing order and drilling unit.

4. Docket No. 2002-003, Cause No. 189-06 - In the Matter of the Amended Request for Agency Action of Anschutz Exploration Corporation for Approval of an Exception Well Location for the Needles #1-4 Well Located in Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 8 East, SLB&M, Summit County, Utah, and for Approval to Drill the Needles #1-4 Well as a Directionally-Drilled Well.

Petitioner is requesting the Board to establish a well location. Although all extraction will occur within Utah, the well itself is sited in the State of Wyoming.

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